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Overall Potentialities of Program about to be Undertaken

1. The program about to be undertaken has four general potentialities. These are personnel screening, personnel security check, psychological and psychiatric treatment of personnel, and interrogative research.

2. Under the personnel screening program interviews will be held in order to evaluate the personality and character of the individual concerned. Both written and practical psychological tests will also be administered.

3. Under the personnel security check detailed interrogation will be conducted utilizing all available interrogation techniques.

4. Under the program for the psychological and psychiatric treatment of personnel the following treatments will be available: accelerated psychoanalysis; treatment of personality and character deficiencies; elimination of undesirable traits and habits such as smoking and drinking, stuttering, etc., and the treatment of various phobias; psychological regression and memory restoration; tests and cure for sleep-talking; and the susceptibility and reaction to various stimulants such as alcohol, benzedrine and caffeine.

5. In order that the last two phases mentioned, namely, interrogation research and psychological and psychiatric treatment, be successfully conducted, it will be necessary to operate a well-equipped laboratory. Plans for the organization of this laboratory and lists of the equipment needed are forthcoming.

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